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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present application contains claims 1-52. Claims 14-52 have been withdrawn as being directed to a non-elected invention.

It is noted that a response period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, has been set for responding to the Restriction Requirement. It is submitted that the original response to the Restriction requirement was timely filed.

Applicant, responsive to the telephone interview with Examiner Entezari, confirms the provisional election of the claims of Group I, namely claims 1-13, drawn to calculating a range for an input image, classified in class 382, subclass 275. Applicant has withdrawn non-elected claims 14-52 and has so labeled claims 14-52, it being understood that claims 14-52 may be reinstated upon allowance of a claim generic to the subject matter of claims 14-52.

Examination on the merits and allowance of the elected claims are earnestly solicited.

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